## COLONEL ALEX DORNSTAUDER U. S. Army Corps of Engineers, Gulf Region Division Chief of Staff

**Colonel Alex Dornstauder** serves as the Chief of Staff for the Gulf Region Division in Baghdad, Iraq. He comes from the Los Angeles District from the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers South Pacific Division where he concurrently serves as the Commander and District Engineer.

He received his commission as a Second Lieutenant in the Corps of Engineers in 1980 upon graduation from the United States Military Academy at West Point. Colonel Dornstauder is a graduate of the U.S. Army Airborne and Ranger Schools, the Engineer Officer Basic and Advanced Courses, the Combined Arms Service and Staff School, the Command and General Staff College, the School of Advanced Military Studies, and the Naval War College. He holds a Master of Science degree in Civil Engineering from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, where he is also a doctoral candidate, a Master of Business Administration from the University of Hawaii, a Master of Military Arts and Science from the Advanced Military Studies Program at Fort Leavenworth, and a Master of Arts in National Security and Strategic Studies from the Naval War College.

Throughout his career Colonel Dornstauder has served in many positions of progressive responsibility to include Platoon Leader and Executive Officer, F Company, 4th Engineer Battalion and Commander, B Company, 12th Engineer Battalion, 8th Infantry Division; Project Engineer, Chief of Civil Works, and Assistant Resident Engineer, Honolulu District, Pacific Ocean Division; Assistant Division Engineer, Chief of G3 Plans, and Executive Officer for both the 23rd Engineer Battalion and Division Engineer Brigade, 1st Armored Division; Deputy Commander, 937th Engineer Group (Combat) and Commander, 1st Engineer Battalion (Diehard), 1st Infantry Division; and as Director, Engineer Operations and Chief of the Initiatives Group for the Commanding General, U. S. Army Europe.

He has received numerous awards and decorations including five awards of the Meritorious Service Medal, four awards of the Army Commendation Medal, four awards of the Army Achievement Medal, the Army Superior Unit Award, two NATO Medals, and the coveted U. S. Army Corps of Engineers Bronze de Fleury Medal.